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London to receive Youth Friendly Community Recognition designation

London will be one of 14 Ontario communities recognized through the Play Works Youth Friendly Community Recognition Program. Play Works is an independent group of organizations committed to helping youth by encouraging and promoting a greater investment in youth play. The Program recognizes communities that are investing in their youth and offering plenty of opportunity to engage in youth play.

"As Londoners, we recognize play, sports and positive leisure-time activities as important factors in nurturing strong, healthy youth, within a well-balanced community," says Mayor DeCicco-Best. "As such, we're delighted to be named a 'Youth Friendly Community', through our investment in a strategic Parks and Recreational Plan to provide great community centres, libraries, ice pads, swimming pools, soccer fields and skate parks for our young people to explore."

The Honourable Jim Watson, Minister of Health Promotion, will be presenting the award to representatives from London on May 1 at Queen's Park in Toronto.